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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

The following Taiwanese Publications were cited in a communication (copy attached) from the Taiwanese Patent Office.

1. TW 476819 (B), published February 21, 2002, to Toray Industries. This publication corresponds to EP 1 059 372.

2. TW 495568 (B), published July 21, 2002, to Toray Industries. This publication corresponds to US 6,276,121.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after either a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), but before payment of the Issue Fee, and therefore the fee of **\$180.00** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is being remitted, and a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

Complete English translations of foreign language documents are being submitted herewith, and therefore no concise explanation for such foreign language documents is required.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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The undersigned hereby states, upon information and belief:

That each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement filed concurrently herewith was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office (Taiwan Patent Office) in a counterpart foreign application (Taiwan Invention Patent Application No. 093118662) not more than three months prior to the filing of said Information Disclosure Statement.

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